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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The notice for the proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address any of the following: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond,

including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses; and (e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639-7570 or send an email to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

### **Proposed Project**

Poison Center Collaborations for Public Health Emergencies - NEW  
- National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

### **Background and Brief Description**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is requesting a three-year approval for a new generic information collection request (Generic ICR) plan titled "Poison Center Collaborations for Public Health Emergencies."

CDC's key partner, the American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC), is a national network of 55 poison centers working to prevent and treat poison exposures. The goal for this new Generic ICR is to create a timely mechanism to allow poison centers, in collaboration with CDC, to obtain critical exposure and health information during public health emergencies. This information is not captured during initial poison center calls about triage and treatment of potential poison exposures. Additional data collections are needed quickly to further characterize exposures, risk factors, and illnesses.

When a public health emergency of interest to CDC and AAPCC occurs, the CDC and AAPCC hold a meeting to mutually decide whether the incident needs further investigation. For a public health emergency to be selected for call-back, adverse health effects must have occurred and a response is needed to prevent further morbidity and mortality. The event must meet the criteria below:

- 1) The event is a public health emergency causing adverse health effects.
- 2) Timely data are urgently needed to inform rapid public health action to prevent or reduce injury, disease, or death.

- 3) The event is characterized by a natural or man-made disaster, contaminated food or water, a new or existing consumer product, or an emerging public health threat.
- 4) The event has resulted in calls to a poison center, and the poison center agrees to conduct the call-back data collection.
- 5) The event is domestic.
- 6) Data collection will be completed in 60 days or less.

Trained poison center staff will conduct the call-back telephone survey, after administering consent. Respondents will include individuals who call poison centers about exposures related to the select public health emergencies. These respondents include adults, 18 years and older; adolescents, 15 to less than 18 years; and parents or guardians on behalf of their children less than 15 years of age.

The total estimate of 300 annual respondents is based on poison center experience which assumes two incidents per year with approximately 150 respondents per event. The average burden per respondent is approximately 40 minutes for the call-back questionnaire. We anticipate a total annualized burden of 200 hours.

There is no cost to the respondents other than their time.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in hours)
Adult Poison Center Callers	Sample Questionnaire - Adults	210	1	40/60
Adolescent Poison Center Callers	Sample Questionnaire - Adolescent	30	1	40/60
Parent or Guardian Poison Center Callers	Sample Questionnaire - Parent or Guardian	60	1	40/60

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